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2 Tim.1:6 Stir up the gift of God that is in thee.

INTRO. Ours is the motor age. We have had our stone age with its impliments crudely cut out rock; we have passed thru the iron age with its smelting furnaces; we have done traveling with ox-teams and covered wagons. Ours is the motor age, with its autos and planes. Gears and gas take up much of our time and mind these days. And consequently we find the whole of life speeded-up, as it were; we travel in all directions with racing momentum, and he who stands still moves backward. We use low and intermediate gears for starting and climbing, but for ordinary travel we go "on high".

Paul wrote to Timothy:"Stir up the gift of God that is in thee".

"To thine own self be true,
And it must follow as the night the day
Thou canst not be false to any man."

I. What we need to learn today is how best and safest to go fast. We can no longer do our traveling with the brakes on.

Life is short, the way is long. Since we are on the go, we must be going somewhere; hence we must be sure that our going is in the right direction.

Fast living demands clear thinking, well-trained acting, and definite destinations.

II. Consequent Rules of the Road.

1. Keep To The Right.

Be truthful, honest and sincere in word and deed. The slightest deviation at high speed may mean the wreck of both reputation and character.

2. GIVE OTHERS THEIR RIGHTS.

Roadhogs are selfish, and consequently a menace to the road.

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Others on the road may have to c cross our path, but they have their rights, too.

Much of the world's trouble and suffering due to road-hog driving, disregarding the rights of others.

3. Slow Down At Curves and at ALL DANGEROUS Places.

Speed maniacs take terrible chances with terrific consequences, attimes.

Gambling is always wrong, but to bamble with one's own life and the life of others is criminal.

Our moral life is far more important than our physical. It pays to stop, look, listen.

Better be sure than sorry; better lose a minute than lose a life.

4. If not sure of your Control, shut off the gas.

Some people talk too much. The more excited they become the more they talk. High speed demands poise and self-control. Be calm. Be still. Put on the brakes and stop until you have regained your poise.

5. If a Heavy Grade is in sight, Speed Up.

A fast momentum often carries us over the hard places.

Determination and preparedness give us the momentum we need in the emergencies of life.

Slowing down and crawling along when the going is hard, has often brot the car to a standstill. Right now during depression, we need to speed up, spirituall speaking. Buck.

Stir up the gift of God that is in you.

God's errands send us on our best trips. More thrill and lasting joy out of godlike living than out of all the chasing and necking and pleasure madness in the whole wo world.

The King's business requires haste. Stir yourselves up. Speed up. Where Jesus leads us let us follow, running on high. Lets not loiter or lag, but on to the front at top sp speed. Life is short, orpportunity is great; there is so much to be done and so little time in which to do it.

Stir up the gift of God that is in thee.

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The faithful saints who by their loyalty to X, by their living & serving & giving are winning in the race of life.